requirements of Doordarshan. This practice will continue.

दूरदर्शन पर संस्कृत समाचार-बुलेटिन और अन्य कार्यक्रमों का प्रसारण

122. **श्री अजीत जोगी:**
चौधरी हरि सिंह:

क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार दूरदर्शन के राष्ट्रीय नेटवर्क में संस्कृत-समाचार तथा अन्य कार्यक्रमों के प्रसारण का विचार रखती है:

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो क्या सरकार निकट भविष्य में इन कार्यक्रमों के प्रसारण का विचार रखती है?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय के राज्यमंत्री (श्री के॰पी॰सिंह देव): (क) से (ग) यद्यपि, वर्तमान में, दूरदर्शन के पास अपने राष्ट्रीय नेटवर्क पर संस्कृत में समाचार बुलेटिन प्रसारित करने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है, तथापि इसके द्वारा समय-समय पर संस्कृत में कार्यक्रम पहले से ही प्रसारित किए जा रहे हैं।

Foreign TV Networks in the Country

123. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAV-RAO JADHAV: SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Television networks in operation in the country, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government are aware of the difference in the cultural outlook between foreign countries and our country;

(c) whether some of the programmes telecast by these T.V. networks have adverse effect on our family life;

(d) whether Government are also aware that these programmes do have bad effects on our children; and

(e) the remedialmeasures taken by Government to check the dominance of western culture including a legislation, teken/visualised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) Doordarshan is the only television network operating in India.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The programming on a number of foreign channels, operating from outside India, the signals of which can be received in the country through an appropriate dish antenna, are considered by many as being alien to Indian culture and life style.

(e) The programming on the Doordarshan channels has been restructured to provide a wholesome fare of predominantly Indian Programming at the national and regional levels so as to sustain the interests of its viewers.

Regionalisation of Doordarshan

124. SHRI GOVINDRAO RAMRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Doordarshan has gone 'regional' in a big way since the beginning of February, 1994;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) what steps Government have taken so far/propose to take so that Doordarshan reaches the common man and the rural masses the urban youth and middle classes, business and industry and share market people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) and (b) The following regional